

**PORT OF NEWPORT
Resolution 5 – 2009**

**Resolution Approving Lease for Real Property
with the
United States of America**

WHEREAS, the Port of Newport is a port organized under the laws of Oregon, and is governed primarily under the Oregon Revised Statute 777; and

WHEREAS, the Port of Newport submitted an offer for the homeporting of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's Marine Operations Center – Pacific (NOAA MOC-P) on Port property in South Beach; and

WHEREAS, homeporting NOAA's Pacific fleet in Newport enjoys widespread community and statewide support, the support of the state legislature, U.S. Congressman Kurt Schrader, and U.S. Senators Ron Wyden and Jeff Merkley; and

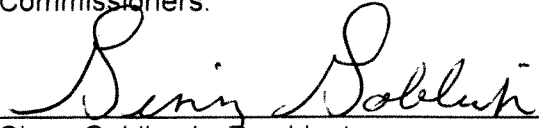
WHEREAS, the collaborative work among scientific agencies at the Hatfield Marine Science Center, commercial fishermen, vessel owners, state and federal regulatory agencies and Oregon Coast Aquarium, Yaquina Bay's central location and near access to high value marine environments, community services and livability factors were presented to NOAA as part of a final and best offer; and

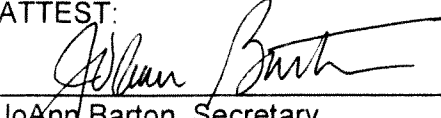
WHEREAS, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration has selected the Port of Newport to provide office and warehouse space, berthing for four NOAA ships homeported at the NOAA Marine Operations Center – Pacific (MOC-P) and up to two visiting ships, and Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) certified environmentally sustainable main buildings; and

WHEREAS, the homeporting of NOAA's Pacific fleet will enhance the reputation of Oregon as a hub for marine related scientific studies and a leader in understanding environmental relationships and developing energy related technology to address needs of the future.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Port of Newport Board of Commissioners approve the General Manager to sign all lease documents relating to this offer for real property between the Port of Newport and the United States of America for the homeporting of NOAA's MOC-P.

Approved and adopted this 5th day of August, 2009 by the Port of Newport Board of Commissioners.


Ginny Goblirsch, President

ATTEST:

JoAnn Barton, Secretary

Ayes	<u>5</u>
Nays	<u>0</u>
Absent	<u>0</u>
Abstain	<u>0</u>